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IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT!

One of the more difficult facets of the editor's job is that he is occasionally required to disseminate bad news to the readers of his publication.

With full realization that this is the Christmas season, that we are in the first minor throes of an energy situation which shall not be resolved for some years, and that prices of most goods continue to gallop out of reach — to join Kohoutek in its Valkyrian flight through the heavens, no doubt — I bring the additional, unwanted news that prices of The Long Island Fisherman will increase, as of January 1, 1974, to nine (9) dollars for subscriptions and twenty five cents ($.25) per single copy.

It would be easy to say nothing more of the matter and merely await the response through mails from an irate, incensed readership, and to let each coin topple as it will. However, we do feel an obligation to those that have been with us to explain why these price increases are necessary.

Last August we were advised by our supplier that we would be compelled to accept a 68% increase in the cost of the paper used to print The Fisherman. The complete text of the letter follows:

"Dear Mr. Reina:

We have been able to obtain a new source of 50-lb. offset paper for use in printing the Long Island Fisherman. Unfortunately, the cost price is a very steep increase over what we have been charged, and I feel sure you will understand that this increase cannot be absorbed by us.

Since 1969 your paper costs have been based on fifteen cents per pound. Our increase since June 1973 amounts to ten cents per pound which we are passing on to you, making your new paper cost twenty five cents per pound, an increase of 68%, and will be effective after August 13, 1973.

You are aware undoubtedly of the seriousness of the paper shortage — not only in newsprint but also in the higher priced papers used in magazines and other publications. Except for price, we feel fortunate in obtaining this new source of supply.

Very truly yours,..."

Although the increase in the cost of paper, alone, would not have demolished our price structure, additional increases we had incurred, and were told we would have to accept in the beginning of 1974, were sufficient to force us in a direction that was totally undesired by everyone.

In July, The Fisherman was contacted by the U.S. Postal Service and informed that it would suffer an 18% increase in postal rates that month, and that there would be additional increases — averaging approximately 40% — that would face us when we awakened on January 5, 1974.

Our accountant surveyed the entire situation with his jaundiced financial eye, rapped his cane on the table as he tugged his scraggly, graying beard, shrugged, then indicated that one of two choices was ours to make — the first being to stop publishing our fancy fish wrapper because we were losing money, and would lose much more in the future. Businesses, even sporting magazines, apparently, cannot continue operations at a loss without quickly submitting themselves to a gamut of troubles and problems.

The decision was made — for better, we hope — to increase our rates and prices all around in order to continue bringing this magazine to Long Island fishermen. After all, that is our name.

We hope you will agree with the choice we made. In the past, whenever the undesireable duty of announcing a price raise confronted us, we afforded our readership the opportunity to renew or extend their present renewal for as many years as they wished before the new prices came into effect. Once again we will hold to our past policy. Any subscription received in this office postmarked before Midnight December 31st 1973 will be honored, no matter how many years the subscription is for.

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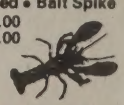

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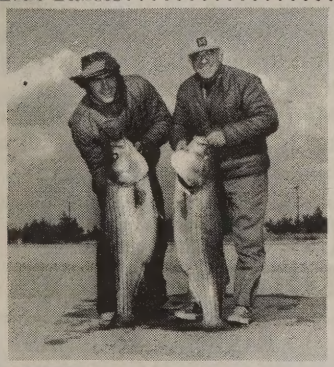

ABOUT THE COVER: Fishing partners Stan Einzig (left) and Salem Tamer (right) connected with big bass last fall. Stan's weighed in at 55 lbs. 11 ozs. and Salem's at 57 lbs. 11 ozs. Both are members of The Long Island Striper Club.

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News Releases

EPA ADMINISTRATOR URGES SLOWER GROWTH RATE IN ENERGY DEMAND TO CONSERVE RESOURCES

The nation should commit itself to a goal of two to three percent annual growth in energy demand or about half the nearly five percent rate experienced from 1968 to 1972, Russell E. Train, Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, said on December 3rd.

"That (two to three percent rate) would return us to the rate of growth of the first sixty years of this century, and allow us to develop our energy resources without drastically depleting them or damaging our environment," Train told a meeting sponsored by the Edison Electric Institute and EPA on the use of solid wastes as fuel to generate electricity.

"We all have new lessons to learn," Train declared. "Some environmentalists will have to learn that there is no point in attempting to place roadblocks in front of every effort to produce energy, that, instead, we will have to devise effective energy conservation measures and identify the most preferred methods of producing more energy to meet reduced national energy demands. To get down to a more reasonable energy growth rate, such as three or even two percent, it will be necessary to set goals for energy-consuming sectors of the economy."

Train said U.S. captal energy consumption is the highest in the world — twice as much as Great Britain's two and a half times as much as Germany's; four and a half times as much as Japan's. Average U.S. ANNUAL energy demand, he went on, has for the 1965-1970 period — only ten years later. In 1972, petroleum demand alone grew by 7.2 percent.

"The significance of this is starkly outlined when we reflect on the fact that a four percent growth rate doubles demand every 17 years, and a seven percent growth rate doubles demand every 10 years," he said.

Up until now, Train said, too little attention has been paid in this country to energy and resource conservation.

"As a matter of fact, environmental control requirements have been forcing engineers and others to rethink many tried, but not so well proven, production processes," Train said. "Innovative designs have had unexpected side benefits in energy savings, and many of these have been brought on by pollution control requirements. By 1990, the cumulative effect of economical process changes could reduce demand in industry at least 35 percent."

Train said national goals also need to be set for the requirements in commercial and residential building sectors of our society, which together account for about thirty five percent of total energy consumption.

This, he said, will mean more energy-effecient building designs and solar conscious plans; wider use of improved insulation and insulating glass and tailored lighting systems in commercial structures and upgraded insulation standards for residences, and similar improvements for existing homes. These and similar measures, he said, will be needed to reduce the 1990 energy demand in residential and commercial buildings by at least one third.

SAVE OUR STRIPERS APPEALS TO FISHERMEN

Many fishermen are not aware that Save Our Stripers and the Hudson River Fishermen's Association have joined forces in litigation to stop Consolidated Edison from building Indian Point II, without the installation of cooling towers to protect the rich Striped Bass breeding grounds.

The first payment in this litigation must be absorbed by Save Our Stripers and the Hudson River Fishermen's Association, while all future expenses will be paid by the Striped Bass Fund.

Once again Save Our Stripers must turn to all its supporters and ask them to reach in their pockets for donations to offset this one-time expense. Anyone wishing to make a contribution for as much as you or your club can afford, should indicate "For Con Ed Litigation" on their checks and send them to Save Our Stripers Inc., Massapequa Park, N.Y. 11762.

We thank you for your support.

CLUB NEWS

DOGHOUSE FISHING CLUB

The recent annual elections held at headquarters of the Doghouse Fishing Club, 31 Hugh Grant Circle, Bronx, resulted in the following officers being selected for the 1974 season:
Commodore — John Thomas
Vice Commodore — Robert Lenz
Treasurer — Edward Tracy
Secretary — Edward Kane

The annual Christmas affair will be held at 31 Hugh Grant Circle, Dec. 15, after six p.m., at which time awards will be presented to our successful fishermen of the past year.

A buffet and entertainment will be provided at no cost. Fishermen and friends in the Parkchester area are invited to join in the festivities (for some fish talk and "good cheer").

Merry Christmas to the staff of the Long Island Fisherman and all of our fishing friends.

CONTESTS & TOURNAMENTS

EAST BAY ANGLERS "CODFISH CHILLER" TOURNAMENT RESULTS

CLUB WINNERS:
1st — Babylon Tuna Club;
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2nd — Tournament Anglers;
126 lbs. 5 oz.
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Largest Dog Fish by Sam Saladino — 12 lbs. 8 oz.

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RESULTS OF DEEP SEA CLUB'S ANNUAL FULL MOON TOURNEY

Don Siano advised The Fisherman that Carl Marino, Al Daniels, and himself fishing aboard the Black Duck II, picked up three trophies in the Deep Sea Club's tournament. They used John Sekora's giant black, amber and red tubes to take First and Second Places with striped bass weighing 40 lb. 4 oz. and 37 pounds, and caught twenty four additional bass ranging from 11 to 20 pounds in weight.

Don Siano, Carl Marino and Al Daniels with trophies.

Carl Marino displays the two winning bass, taken from aboard the "Black Duck II".

L.I. STATE PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION — CAPTREE BAIT STATION AWARDS FOR 1973

Top Three High Point Scorers

1st: Salem Tamer; Elmont NY; Striped Bass 57 lb. 11 oz.; Surf— Jones Beach; 57 11/16 pts.

2nd: Frank Difede; Deer Park, NY; Bluefish 18 lb. 10 oz.; Surf — Cedar Beach; 55 14/16 pts.

3rd: Norbert Habl; Brentwood, NY; Striped Bass 55 lb. 14 oz.; Gilgo Beach; 55 14/16 pts.

3rd: Stan Einzig; Westbury, NY; Striped Bass 55 lb. 11 oz.; Surf — Jones Beach; 55 11/16 pts.

Largest of Species

Capt. Arnold Hubert; Albacore, Tuna, Sea Bass
Capt. Remson Haynes; Fluke
Capt. Robert Joseph; Porgy
Capt. George Tweedy; Mackerel

The Heaviest Catches of Eligible Species

Albacore; 15 lb. 12 oz.; Sept. 13; Valentine Glass; Franklin Square, NY.
Bass, Sea; 5 lb. 10 oz.; Oct. 12; George Wuttke; Central Islip, NY.
Bass, Striped; 57 lb. 11 oz.; Oct 30; Salem Tamer; Elmont, NY.
Blackfish; 9 lb. 1 oz.; Sept. 16; Irving Werner; Uniondale, NY.
Bluefish; 18 lb. 10 oz.; Oct. 14; Frank

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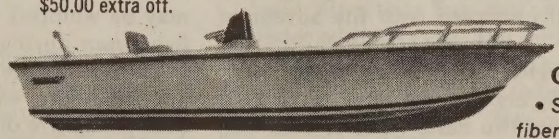

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MODERN BASS BUGS

by Don Vetter

There is no sight in freshwater fishing to match the excitement engendered by an outsized largemouth erupting from the still waters of a pond to slam a fly rod bug. Even on a chill winter's evening, with the bass season but a memory, and the crackling of a log fire the only sound to break the long silence, the thought of old bucket mouth busting a well-placed bass bug is enough to start the adrenalin pumping.

Actually, fly rodding for that most sought after of sweetwater fish, the black bass, never achieved the popularity which it rightfully deserves. The multiplying gear casting reel which served as the backbone of present day bait casting tackle has been the mainstay of bassing through the years. First known as "Kentucky Reels," these original bait casters, which first saw the light of day in the early nineteenth century, were marvels of craftsmanship. They were, indeed, "bait" casting reels for close to eighty years, till James Heddon used one to cast his first hand-whittled plug into the waters of the Dowagiac River, and the sport of bass plugging was born. Just as black bass are THE American freshwater gamefish, plugging was the method most closely associated wtih the pursuit of them, and fly rodding has always taken a back seat, being almost totally eclipsed with the advent of spinning tackle.

Today the pendulum is beginning to swing in the other direction as more and more anglers discover anew the thrill of fly rod bass bugging. There are two basic types of bass bug which have survived with but little change since the inception fo the sport nearly ninety years ago: the soft of hair-bodied type, and the hard 'popping' bug. The former are made from the hollow, buoyant belly hairs of the white tail deer, and have been designed to resemble everything from a mouse to a frog. These lures are among the oldest still in active use today, and are fished now, as then, in a series of short strips, with little of no attempt on the part of the angler to create any surface commotion. Their flotability is rather unreliable, as they tend to become waterlogged and begin to dip beneath the surface after prolonged usage.

The popping bugs are designed to raise a disturbance on top of the water, and thereby elicit the attentions of hungry or merely curious bass. Originally fashioned with cork or balsa wood bodies, they have dished-out heads to produce that distinctive "popping" sound at the twitch of a rod tip. Although painted cork and balsa have given way to molded plastic, and the feathers which adorned the original bugs are now usually supplemented by the addition of sensitive rubber legs, the basic design and principle of the popping bug has remained static through the years since its developement; twitch the rod, pop the bug, and (hopefully) hook the striking bass.

Either of the older type bass bugs will produce excellent results for the fly caster, as evidenced by the fact that they are still widely used; an ineffective lure rarely remains on the market for long periods of time. There is even a growing number of anglers who fashion their own bugs, and fly tying supply concerns provide all the materials needed, including

Some of the author's plastic favorites (starting upper left, working clockwise): spider, grasshopper, cricket, panfish bug.

the wide gap, humped shank hooks required to hold the bug's body securely in place and allow sufficient bite to drive home the barb. An infinite variety of sizes, colors and designs may be whipped up in the basement of an enterprising fly fisherman during the off season.

Tackle suitable for bass bugging depends more on the size and, therefore, wind resistance of the bug employed than it does in the size of old *Micropterus* liable to be encountered, or even the amount of snags in the water to be fished: it is all but impossible to drive a big bug with too light a fly line, and an overly heavy outfit it unsuitable for use with the smaller patterns.

With any but the very smallest of bass bugs, a weight forward (WF) line, of the type which used to be called 'bug' or 'rocket' taper, is called for. These lines are characterized by a short head section, tapering rapidly from the rather fine leader point to a bulge, which provides the weight needed to propel a bulky bug through the air, then tapering back to a lone, lighter belly section of running line. Weight forward tapers were once made almost exclusively in the larger sizes (8 weight and up), but may now be had as small as WF5F, the last "F" in the designation referring to the fact that the line is a floater, which all top-water bugging requires.

These "baby bug tapers", in 5, 6 and 7 weight, are the answer to the light tackle man's prayer, as they do a fine job with small and medium sized bugs, even with adverse winds to contend with. The heavy 8 and 9 weight lines still see wide use among those fishermen who prefer the very largest bugs. Regardless of the line weight chosen, an ideal bugging rod should be on the long side for the extra leverage provided; anything under 8 feet is liable to give you some trouble. Choose the longest rod available which matches the weight of the line you employ.

Modern bass bugs, as opposed to those which have evolved from the original hair-bodied and popping types, are almost exclusively of soft plastic construction and are, in my opinion,

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BREAK-OFF!

by Dino Pinchiaroli

As time goes by, we remember good times past and are greateful they were had, and, as the snow falls, I remember the past season best and am grateful I was here to enjoy it.

It was about eleven in the morning on September 20, 1972, and I was standing on the sidewalk of Northern Boulevard in Little Neck, enjoying the beautiful warm day and also enjoying a good cannoli when a friend happened by. Bob Cerny told me of a call he had gotten concerning macks breaking all over Little Neck Bay on the Douglaston side (west side of bay).

Being September and not likely, but macks not being too smart, maybe they came back. Besides, what else am I to do this fine day but chase fish? It just so happened my Garcia 510 outfit was in the car. It won't fit in my pocket so I leave it in the car between March 1st and January 1st. This way my wife does not know how often I go fishing.

I sneak (privy, privy place that it is) down there and right away I see two fellas flailing away at the water with a tree limb. I stop and park.

"What's up?" I ask.

"Bunker all over the place," is the reply. "We want to go for blues tonight and they are good for bait." My reply, "Is that so", and I loan them my jetty gaff — also from the car — and I commence tossing a half ounce popper. No takers. "Maybe down a bit", I sez to myself, and I walk on down the shore and around a bend on the coastline. Then...WOW!

It looks like a gunboat is laying it down all over the place with quad fifties, for the surface, about 300 feet of it, is erupting, exploding, churning and boiling. The beach is white with the bellies of hundreds of flipping bunker being pushed by thousands of bunker which is turn are being pushed by hundreds of BLUEFISH. My, oh my! Such pushing!

Try to picture it: a stretch of shoreline with mixed grass, sand and rocks, white with bunker bellies, no one in sight and blues leaping from water two feet deep (almost dead low at this time).

My mouth went bone dry, my knees buckled and the heart began to pound. I turned and shouted to the tree limb fisherman, but they could not hear and just waved back and continued thrashing the bunker school that got away from this carnage. Should I go back and tell them? Well, certainly, but not right now, maybe after a little while . . . heh, heh.

Well, here I go with my eight pound test leaderless outfit (my striper plug bag carries no leaders). First cast at a swirl and direct hit, pop it twice and BOOM! Ten pounder leaps to take a look at me, snarls, dives and starts the battle.

This first fish played me for about 20 minutes before he broke off ten feet from shore in a foot of water, after he broke water at least fifteen times. With only two feet of water at the deepest part, every fish fought his fight in the air. Where else could he go?

This routine was followed by three more fish: BOOM, then ten to twenty minutes of ecstasy, then break off. The bunker were solid to about 60 feet offshore and the line rubbing on their dorsals would part, and then the all too familiar slack.

Now, I had leaders in the car but getting them might take three or four minutes, and you can understand that time just could not be spared! So I lost three poppers, too small atoms, two pencils, three Alou Shoestrings, etcetera, etcetera...

In such a trance was I, I didn't notice the crowds gather and never saw such a variety of tackle that must have been dug from basements and antique shops: rods of steel and split bamboo, drop lines, eel spears, tuna-type sticks and, alongside me, a young man stood with a garden rake.

A group of teenagers mused as I lost one monster after another. I told myself, "One more break off and I for my leaders." Ha! Fat chance.

To the boy with the rake I sez, "Are you kidding," and his reply, "You ain't doing so great, you know," so I shuts up and move over a little and continue doing my thing.

Suddenly a roar rises from his buddies as he spikes a 12 pounder with his rake, and with both feet on dry land — as are mine. Honest. L.I.F. mentions this rake episode (Bluefish Heaven series) and, if not there to see it, I wouldn't believe both feet on dry beach. "Hey, mister. You wanna trade your rod for the rake?"

I reply, "Thanks but I do most of my garden work in January."

I move a bit farther away and smile and thank Mother Nature for the joy she has given to both the gardener and the fisherman alike.

My drag sang for seven hours straight without stopping, except for time out tying on another plug, and my forearms were knots of pleasant pain that only a fisherman would enjoy. And so, at 7 pm, I gathered up my three eight pounders and sat for a much deserved smoke.

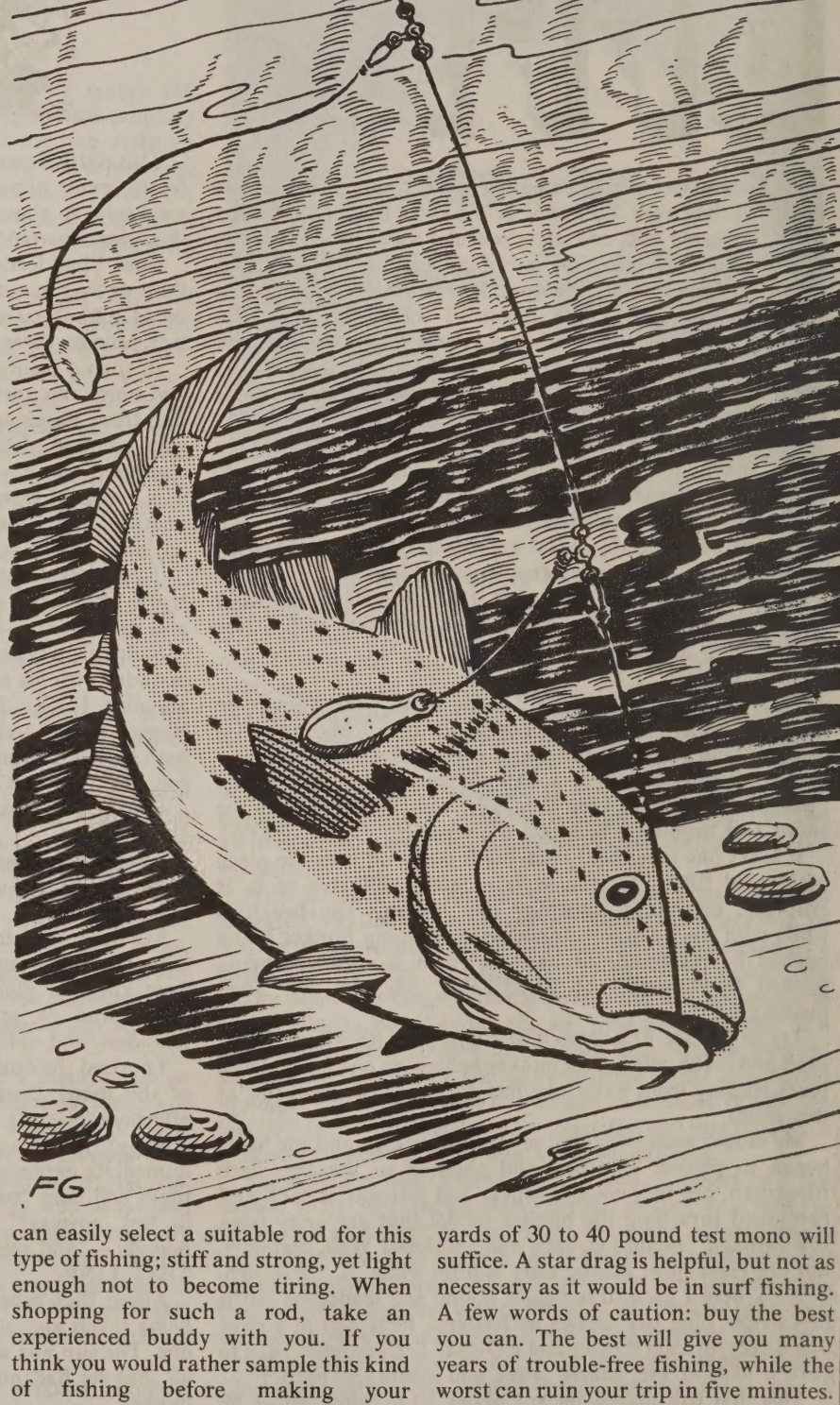
I noticed the dozens of fishermen who had been the causes of the many "twangs" I had heard all during the late afternoon — 40 lb. mono snapping. (What's a drag, anyway?") These heavies would cast a half bunker, an immediate explosion would follow, the blue would leap 2-3 times and then "twang". "Who needs a drag setting with 40 lb. test, anyway?" One fella had about twenty fish — 6-8 pounds — and could have more but, "I ONLY HAD 40 lb. TEST LINE."

About that time Bob Cerny arrived, but plugs were not being taken and only occasionally did a bunker chunk take one. The sun was settling and I felt badly Bob had missed it all, but he had no way of knowing the macks were really bunker.

Not unlike a lover who, having lost his true love, returns to old trysting places, I returned to this place many times for the rest of the season. But I could not raise a killie and I never got my gaff back.

CATCHING COD

by Matt Ahern



Whenever you hear a dyed-in-the-wool fisherman telling his fishing buddy about the last fishing trip he made, listen to the conversation. The paramount comment of real interest from his buddy will be: "Yes. Good. But how big were they?" Every fisherman worth his salt is interested in BIG fish.

Let's face the realities of life. If you fish for flounders, how many three pounders do you catch? Not too many, I think. The same holds true for porgies, sea bass, blackfish, and most other bottom fish. It isn't their fault they just don't get very big. Perhaps you'll catch an occasional fluke over six pounds, and you might fish for years before you get a striper over twenty, or a weakfish over eight. Even blues over twelve pounds are not too common, except at certain times.

The only consistantly BIG fish caught regularly and easily by the average sinker bouncer is the cod. Here is a fish rarely thought of as small. Of course, small cod are caught from time to time, but these fish are the exception rather than the rule. During the codfish season many 30 to 50 pounders come over the rail; your chance of getting one is excellent. Here's how to do it.

First of all, forget about your spinning outfit. You will be fishing in fairly deep water with strong currents present. The sinkers used will weigh from eight to twelve ounces, perhaps more at times, and no spinning tackle is made for this type of fishing. If you insist upon using it, stay away from the party boats. You'll only incur the wrath of your fishing neighbors.

Use a rod with a generous amount of backbone. As an example of what is meant, years ago many a pool cue was converted into a "cod stick". Maybe it wasn't as sporting as the rods in use today, but the "stick" surely did the trick.

Today, with the technological advancements present in glass rods, you can easily select a suitable rod for this type of fishing; stiff and strong, yet light enough not to become tiring. When shopping for such a rod, take an experienced buddy with you. If you think you would rather sample this kind of fishing before making your investment, a suitable outfit can be rented on board any party boat for a nominal fee.

Get the conventional type revolving spool reel. One capable of holding 100 yards of 30 to 40 pound test mono will suffice. A star drag is helpful, but not as necessary as it would be in surf fishing. A few words of caution: buy the best you can. The best will give you many years of trouble-free fishing, while the worst can ruin your trip in five minutes.

As we all know, cod grow to a very large size. The record weighed 211½ pounds and was over six feet long. Before you think of world records such as this, let it be known that this fish was

taken commercially away back in the late 1800's For cod to attain such weights, it is obvious they must have the appetite to go with them, and they certainly do! If any fish is small enough to be swallowed, the cod will go after it. Nothing is safe from its gaping mouth.

All of which makes it easy for the fisherman to select the proper bait. Though the old time commercial men used herring chunks, you will be using skimmer clam if you fish from a party boat. Putting the correct size of bait on the hook is very important. Some fishermen use as many as two whole skimmers, but this is a waste. You will do better with half a skimmer, or a third of a very large one.

How to rig your terminal tackle is one of the most important things about fishing, and, as with everything else, there is a right way and a wrong way to do it. As the saying goes, this is where the men are separated from the boys, but there is really nothing difficult about it; rigging for bottom fish is the simplest kind, but if you don't understand how and why you rig a certain way to take various fish, you are bound to do poorly.

While cod are a true bottom fish, as is the flounder, this is where you will do your fishing for him. Your sinker should be able to hold bottom when fishing from an anchored boat — use the correct sinker weight. If you need an eight ounce sinker, don't try a six. Also, don't use a ten or twelve if you can possibly help it. The more weight holding down the fish, the less fight you'll get.

Always bring extra hooks and sinkers. A lot of cod are caught over rocky bottoms and around wrecks, and you are bound to become hung-up from time to time. You can always purchase extra tackle on the boat, if necessary.

The best rig for codfishing is the popular deep-sea or two hook rig. Tie a 6/0 to 8/0 Sproat hook about three and a half feet up from the sinker, and the lower one about four inches above the sinker. The higher hook will bring you the most cod...and also any cruising pollock. The bottom hook is more apt to take ling and other bottom fish.

Some fishermen use a three-way swivel; the choice is yours. However, remember this general rule in all bottom fishing: the more hardware you lower to the bottom, the fewer fish you may get. A cod may be bold, but there are times when he becomes line shy.

You should keep alert always, because sometimes cod will hit a bait hard enough to almost yank the rod out of your hands. Many an unattended rod has gone overboard because the fisherman was daydreaming. If you are not going to fish for a few minutes, reel in. Play it safe.

You may find a cod has hooked itself without your knowledge. This happens quite often, and these fish are usually deeply hooked and seldom lost. At other times, the cod will signal his presence with a few solid tugs. If you can learn to control your reflex action, wait for at least three good tugs and then strike solidly. Be prepared for a merry few minutes.

Many fishermen say a cod doesn't fight, acts like an old boot, etcetera. If they compare cod to tuna, marlin, or stripers, they are right. But when a cod is on, I have yet to see a fisherman light his pipe or retell the last joke he heard. He'll make you earn him every foot of the way, never fear.

Should you find you are not getting you share of the fish, ask the mate or the captain to help you. They want you to catch fish...that is their business. Very few people are as accommodating as these professionals, so rest assured they will do all in their power to make you happy, for a finer group of men you will seldom meet.

The mainstay of their business is the "regular", and they would enjoy having you become one. Listen when they give advice: many of them have been fishing for as much as fifty years — they love their work and excel at it. Their knowledge has been obtained the hard way, through trial and error. What works for them most assuredly will work for you. Don't hesitate to ask questions. These men are more than willing to share the "tricks of the trade" with you.

Most codfishing is done from early November to late March. (Except, of course, for the summer codfishing at Montauk.) This means you should dress properly. Never mind how mild it is on shore, the winter ocean is cold. Be prepared for it by dressing sensibly. If you avail yourself of insulated clothing, insulated gloves and boots, you will be comfortable enough. The secret is in not over-doing. Too much clothing will make you perspire and cause chilling. There are many nice winter days. Pick one out, dress right, and go out and enjoy yourself.

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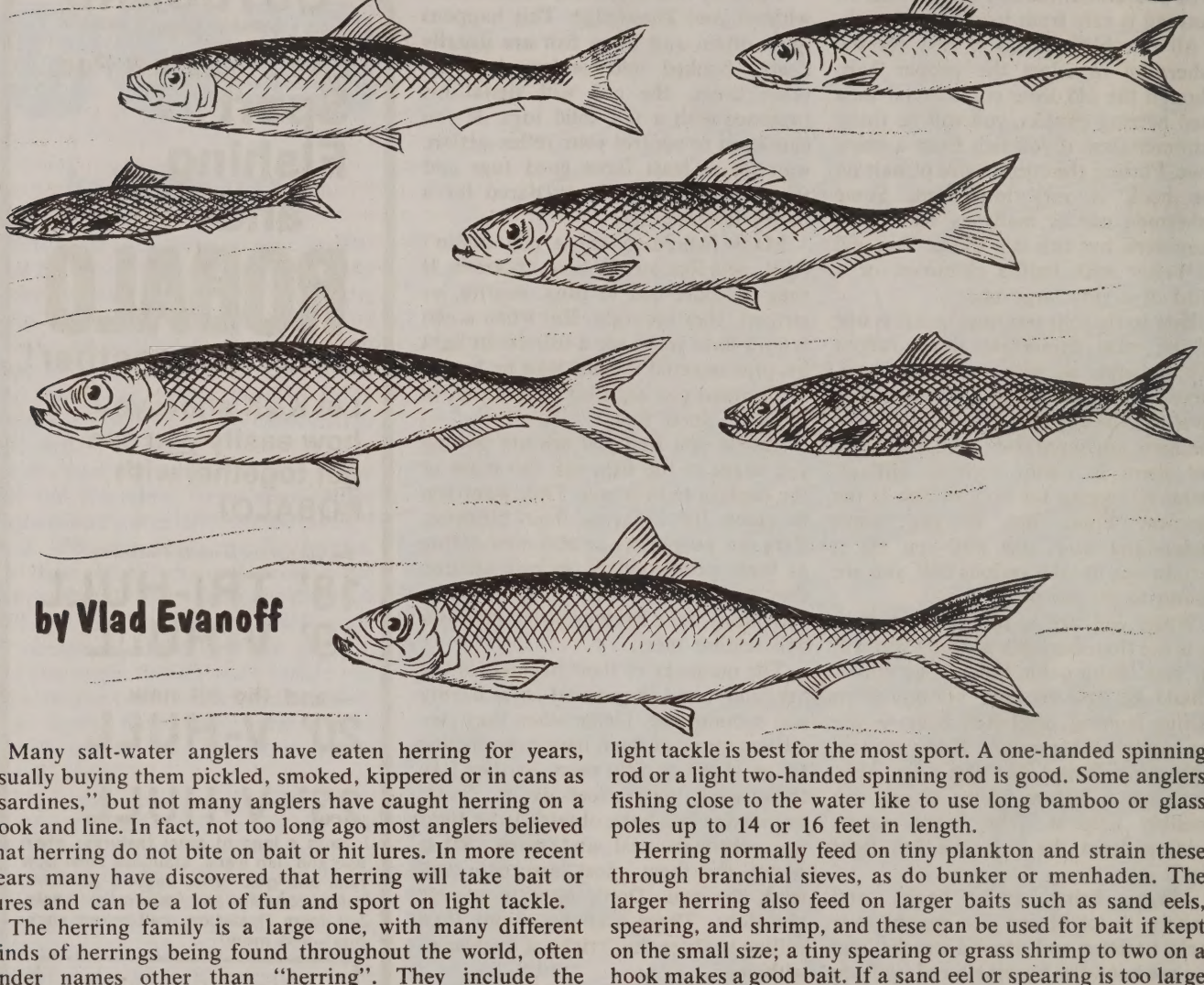


by Vlad Evanoff

Many salt-water anglers have eaten herring for years, usually buying them pickled, smoked, kippered or in cans as "sardines," but not many anglers have caught herring on a hook and line. In fact, not too long ago most anglers believed that herring do not bite on bait or hit lures. In more recent years many have discovered that herring will take bait or lures and can be a lot of fun and sport on light tackle.

The herring family is a large one, with many different kinds of herrings being found throughout the world, often under names other than "herring". They include the common herring or sea herring, blueback, or glut herring, thread herring, hickory shad or shad herring, alewife, shad, menhaden or bunker and even the big tarpon of southern waters. The most plentiful of the species, the one usually caught along our shores, is the sea herring.

Also known as the common herring, English herring, sperling and brit, they are taken commercially in all sizes from a few inches in length up to their maximum size of approximately 18 inches. Most of the herring caught on hook and line will average about a foot in length, with a weight of a pound or so.

Herring often come close to shore and into inlets, bays and tidal rivers during the late fall, winter and early spring months: December through March are usually the best months for fishing. They are apt to show anywhere along shore, but most of the fishing is done at such spots as Steeplechase Pier at Coney Island, the bridges and bulkheads at Jamaica Bay, and many of the other bridges, piers and docks in various bays, backwaters and inlets along the south shore of Long Island.

You don't need special fishing tackle to catch herring, but light tackle is best for the most sport. A one-handed spinning rod or a light two-handed spinning rod is good. Some anglers fishing close to the water like to use long bamboo or glass poles up to 14 or 16 feet in length.

Herring normally feed on tiny plankton and strain these through branchial sieves, as do bunker or menhaden. The larger herring also feed on larger baits such as sand eels, spearing, and shrimp, and these can be used for bait if kept on the small size; a tiny spearing or grass shrimp to two on a hook makes a good bait. If a sand eel or spearing is too large it can be cut into smaller pieces and then used for bait. You can also try using tiny slivers of squid, clam or fish.

Herring will also hit a wide variety of small lures, and shiny metal spoons, spinners, diamond jigs, and mackerel jigs have all been used with success. When using such metal lures choose the smaller sizes with a silver or chrome finish.

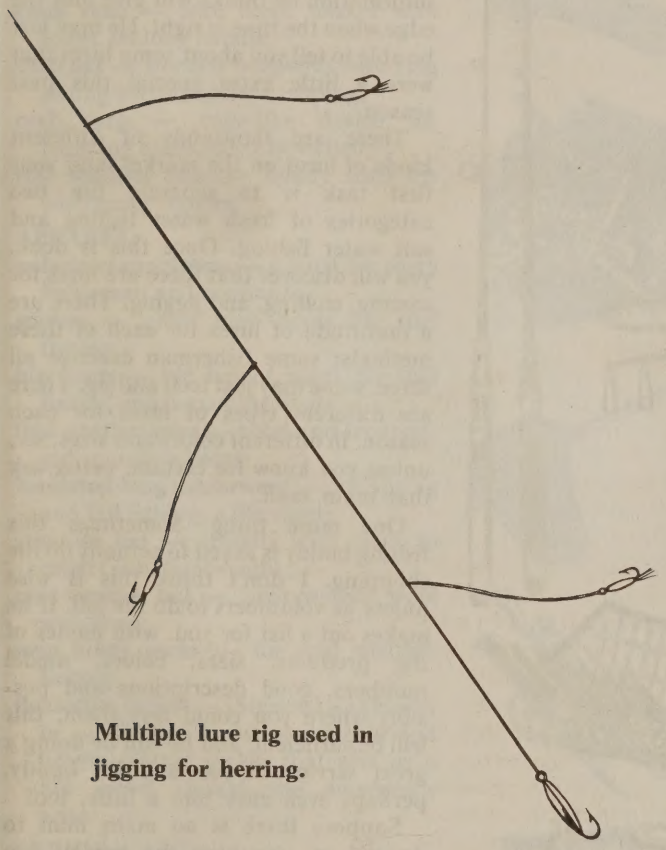
If you want to catch more than one herring at a time you can make up a rig similar to the one used for mackerel. Tie your small diamond jig, spoon or even a small sinker on the end of the line, then attach two or three lures above this weight on foot-long snells. These lures can be tiny plastic tubes over hooks, such as the ones use for mackerel, or they can be specially made herring "flies" or lures. You can easily make these herring lures by wrapping a few turns of aluminum foil, shiny side out, around a No. 2 hook, then tying the foil at both ends with nylon thread so that it stays in place.

If you are using a long bamboo or glass pole, lower your lure or lures to the bottom and jig the rig to give them some action. With a casting outfit, cast the lure or lures out and reel them back slowly, but with an up and down jigging

action to make the herring hit. Even when using bait, you'll get more bites it you move your rig up and down to make the bait seem alive.

Herring hit best in the evening toward dusk and during the night. When it gets dark your best fishing will be found under the lights on a street, pier of dock. Many herring anglers like to bring their own lights or lanterns and suspend them above the water to atttact the bait and herring. Herring are most active when the tide is running, with the fishing action decreasing during the slack water periods.

Herring are eaten by almost every other fish in the sea and make good bait for many of these species. If you catch herring alive when there are stripers, blues or tuna around, attach a hook and drop them back into the water to catch these fish. They also make good chum when ground up or cut



Multiple lure rig used in jigging for herring.

into chunks and thrown overboard in the slick.

But herring are what might be called "tender" fish; they die quickly after being taken out of the water. Most of them are used dead for the fish mentioned above and also for cod and pollack. They can be cut into strips, chunks, or used whole, depending on the size of the herring and the fish being sought. Since herring run well during the winter months, when whiting are also found inshore, they make good bait for these fish if you cut them up into narrow strips.

Finally, you can also eat herring if you prepare them properly. They are bony fish, but can be baked whole, and if you work the flesh off the both sides with a fork you can avoid most of the bones. Usually, though, herring are pickled in salt, sugar, vinegar, onions, and spices and are kept in jars for future use. The pickling solution will soften or dissolve most of the fine bones and you'll have some fine eating.

MODERN BASS BUGS

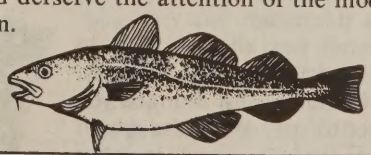
(Continued from page 6.)

the most effective fly rod lures available in the hands of a relatively skilled angler. In the September 6th issue of L.I.F. (Vol. 8 #34) an article of mine entitled "Super Bug" appeared, in which I touted the merits of a homemade, sponge bodied floater I fashioned on the lines of a popular small panfish bug. Though my original enthusiasm for my own concoction remains undimmed, and samples of the homegrown item given to a few close friends have tended to confirm my opinion on the Bug's productivity (they reported results bordering on spectacular with the "super bug"), there is no exclusivity implied. I had almost reached the point of retiring from outdoor writing to produce and sell my bug on a large sclae when a letter, together with a few sample bugs from Burke Flexo-Products, reached me.

Overcoming my initial antipathy, I set out to field test the bugs and report the results, as these may be taken as typical of what is available to the angler in the way of commercially manufactured, modern bass and panfish fly rod lures. These soft plastic, lifelike bugs passed test #1, in that they seem unaffected by storage in plastic lure boxes, the nemesis of many poorly constructed lifelikes. Having been on the market for a quarter of a century, it stood to reason they produced fish for someone, somewhere, though what they would do in the hands of your opinionated reporter remained to be seen.

Having been blessed with a rather mild early October, I set forth for a certain bass hole to give the bugs a workout. The four lures in my possession consisted of a spider, a panfish bug, a cricket and a grasshopper. With the exception of the grasshopper, all proved to possess excellent floatability. Though the cricket and panfish bug proved effective indeed on bluegills, with the cricket getting the highest marks, it was that spider which turned out to be the outstanding performer of the day, making largemouths act as if they hadn't had a solid meal in a month, and fighting each other to bust those quivering legs. Though the bass ran on the small size, with only three keepers (my keeping size is a bit larger than the legally required ten inches) out of 17 fish taken, the test proved to my satisfaction that this plastic spider is a top notch fly rod lure, well worthy of inclusion in anyone's tackle box. My hat is off to Mssrs. Burke & Co. To tell the bad along with the good, the grasshopper proved a total washout in my hands.

Although the older hair and hard bodied bugs still enjoy a well deserved popularity, soft, lifelike plastics are the wave of the future, and derserve the attention of the modern fly rod bass fisherman.



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Tips for Gift Tackle

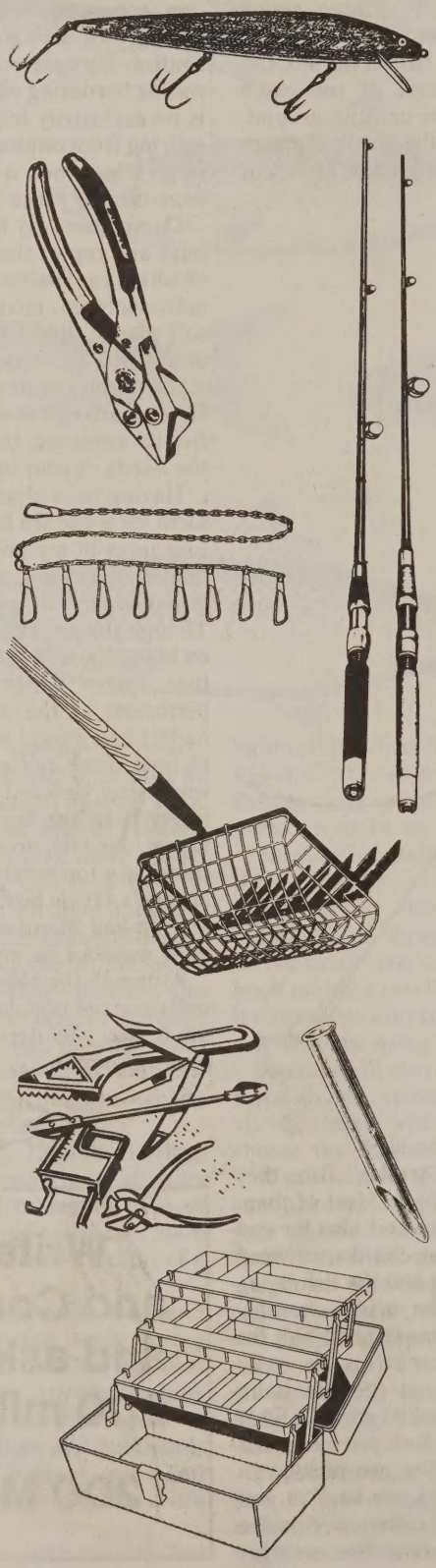
by Mickey Chiarenza

I think most fishermen will agree that there is practically nothing more pleasing than to find "their kind of tackle" under the Christmas tree, or on any other holiday where exchange of gifts is the mood. Loved ones, looking to buy "hubby," "dear old dad," or the "boyfriend" fishing tackle, can fall into the worst kind of pitfalls if they attempt to buy these items without any knowledge at all.

The dealer can be of some help, but tackle is a very personal thing to many fishermen, it has to fit right and feel right, and — most of all — work right. It's similar to a man attempting to buy a dress for a woman: his taste might not quite be the same as the one for whom it is intended. The dress may make him happy, or the tackle make her happy, but at the time of presentation there may be reations like "Yuk," or "Oh, no!" and, with a forced smile, "Yes, it's beautiful, dear!" In a very low mumble, so not to be heard, the true reactions are, "What am I going to do with this thing? I don't fish fresh water!" "It's a nice reel, but the handle is on the wrong side!" "I wish they would have known I needed a light spin rod".

What a fishermen needs may not be apparent to the rest of the household and, most important of all, his fondest wish may be known to none except his fishing buddy! Ahah! The culprit that makes the telephone ring at one a.m. and bangs at the front door at four a.m. is right now "the main man". Perhaps he owes you this much.

He could tell you all you need to know, right down to model numbers, where to get it and about how much you should expect to pay. Who else would know the kind of line, and in what strength and color. He can also advise you if you should get a tackle box or plug bag, and which one in a particular size or model his buddy would like. Things like sizes of sinkers and hooks are important, for example; small Chestertown hooks would be necessary for inshore flounder fishing, using sinkers from two to four ounces, but for deep sea cod fishing a different style hook is used, with sinker weights up to twelve ounces — and sometimes even more.



You will really need some help when it comes to selecting lures. In fact, you might really have to turn the spotlight on that "main man" and sweat it out of him. Fishermen challenge each other when out on the water; each and every fisherman has his own little secrets, information he thinks will give him the edge when the time is right. He may just be able to tell you about some lures that were a little extra special this past season.

There are thousands of different kinds of lures on the market, and your first task is to separate the two categories of fresh water fishing and salt water fishing. Once this is done, you will discover that there are lures for casting, trolling, and jigging. There are a multitude of lures for each of these methods; some fishermen excerise all three, some may just troll and jig. There are different types of lures for each season, in different colors and sizes, so , unless you know for certain, better ask that main man.

One more thing. Sometimes this fishing buddy is asked to actually do the shopping. I don't think this is wise unless he volunteers to do the job. If he makes out a list for you, with names of the products, sizes, colors, model numbers, good descriptions and possibly where you could buy them, this will be sufficient, and he will be doing a great service to you and his buddy, perhaps even envy him a little, too!

Suppose there is no main man to depend on, meaning the person you wish to buy tackle for is a loner. Don't despair! There is more than one way to filet a fish! There are quite a few good items that you could buy without any help at all. Some might require a little general knowledge, but most of these items would delight most any fisherman. They are as follows:

bait knife — heavy blade and blunt point for opening clams and cutting bait;

filet knife — for cleaning, fileting and preparing the catch;

Sportmate Pliers — very handy tool, with case;

scale — for weighing fish, should read up to 50 lbs.;

rod carriers — for auto or boat;

sand spike — rod holder for surf fishing;
tackle box — a safe and sufficiently large container for tackle storage;
plug bag — for the surf fisherman;
head lamp — actually strung around the neck, for night fishermen;
chum pots — for boat owners or renters;
hook holder — useful item for keeping loose hooks untangled;
stainless steel Thermos — unbreakable, for hot or cold drinks;
hook hone — for sharpening hooks and knives;
reel lubricant — seldom bought, but important;
clam rake — wire mesh basket with tongs, on long handle;
crab net — wooden pole with wire ring strung with mesh for scooping;
crab trap — cage-like device for trapping crabs, must be baited;
rod winding tape — handy stuff for emergency repairs.

APPAREL:

polarized sunglasses — a must for every fisherman and boatman;
waders — chest high boots for surf fishing
hip boots — hip height boots for surf fishing and launching boats;
foul weather gear — hood and trousers, indispensible items;
insulated long underwear — for spring and fall fishing; a life saver;
summer hat — usually with visor to reflect sun, lightweight;
cold weather hat — heavyweight, wool watchcap;
long heavy socks — for cold weather fishing;
floatation jacket — (Stearns) a safe way to go fishing. A warm, durable and bright colored jacket that acts as a life jacket should the emergency arise.

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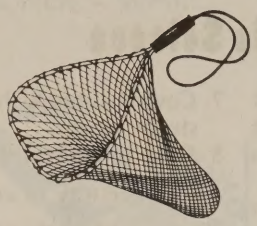
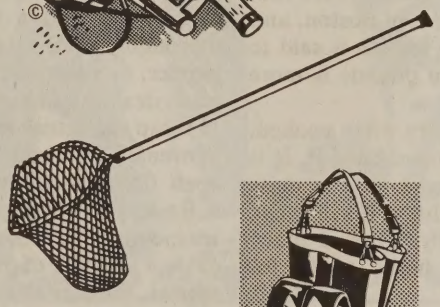
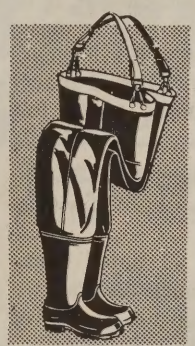






BOOKS:

You cannot go wrong with the many books that are available today. I had to find out everything the hard way and waste years and dollars trying to learn about something that is now described in minute detail by experts. Tackle shops have them, as well as the sporting goods stores, and they can be obtained through the publishers or advertisements in fishing papers and magazines. Books on fishing have reached a peak and trying to review them all here would be a great task. However, I do suggest that you follow Frank Keating, Hunting and Fishing Editor of the **Long Island Daily Press**; just before Christmas he usually does a splendid job of reviewing some of the better publications, from knot tying to fishing for a particular species of fish.

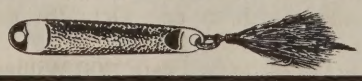
The Garcia Corporation publishes a complete library of soft cover books that deal with each method of fishing in detail with illustrations and photos. There are boating books as well, including the bible of all boating books, **Chapman's Seamanship and Small Boat Handling.** This book is the first and last word when it comes to navigation and safety afloat, and is used as an instruction manual by the Coast Guard Auxiliary and the United States Power Squadron organizations. In my opinion, no boat owner should operate a boat, large or small, without first taking a hard look and doing a little studying of this book.

NAUTICAL CHARTS:

Carried by most marinas and some tackle shops, charts are published by the U.S. Department of Commerce, Environmental Science Services Administration, Coast and Geodetic Survey. These charts are invaluable to boatmen and fisherman alike.

Well, I guess that about covers gifts for fishermen. With more women fishing now than ever before, wouldn't the gals be surprised if they found some fishing tackle under some fancy wrappers, rather than perfume or sissy stuff like that.

Good shopping, and Merry Christmas!



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Variations of Cooking Tilefish

by Trudie Sciacca

Recently, an interested reader of The Long Island Fisherman wrote to me in care of the magazine, requesting a recipe for Tilefish which he had caught in the Hudson Canyon this past summer and had frozen.

First, let me state that when freezing fish, especially when the fish is cut up into steaks or individual portions for freezing, place each piece into a plastic, zip-lock bag, then add water to the bag before you seal it so that when the fish is frozen, it is encased in an ice layer. This prevents the fish from drying out or losing any natural juices.

According to the Encyclopedia Brittanica,"...the Tilefish is a beautifully colored fish of the family Latidae, living in rather deep water in the Western Atlantic. Tilefish were first discovered on a bank about 80 miles southeast of Boston, and were proved to be a valuable food fish. The tilefish is said to reach a weight of 50 pounds, but about ten pounds is more nearly the average weight."

The flesh from a tilefish is white, is very dry when cooked, and care should be taken to casserole or steam-bake it. It is also extremely bland to the taste. When cooked it is quite flaky and therefore cannot be fried successfully; it will break into small pieces. Because it is practically tasteless many persons prefer it baked with spices and herbs added for flavor.

Pissiola Tomato Sauce on Tilefish (or other dry fish)

1. Line a baking pan with tinfoil, lightly grease the foil with a little salad or cooking oil.
2. Place your fish steaks (defrost if frozen) on tinfoil liner. Add a 1 lb. jar of Ragu or Progresso Marinara Tomato Sauce (4 oz. sauce per fish steak) by pouring on top of steaks.
3. Sprinkle garlic salt (or onion salt) on top of tomato sauce.
4. Sprinkle a liberal amount of dried oregano (2 teaspoons), mix and spoon into sauce.
5. Grating cheese can be sprinkled on top if desired.
6. Place two or three pats or slivers of butter or margarine on top of each steak.
7. Cover baking dish with lid or tinfoil. Prick foil to let the steam escape.
8. Bake in moderate oven for 25-30 minutes at 350 degrees.

Another way to cook Tilefish is done as follows:

One oz. of butter or margarine per steak.
One bunch of Italian fresh parsley, chopped fine
Two cloves or buds of garlic diced very fine, or smashed, with a little salt in a mortar and pestle. [one level teaspoonful of garlic powder can be use if you have no fresh garlic).

Procedure

Soften butter or margarine in a bowl with a fork and mix in garlic (powdered or fresh). Add fresh, chopped parsley, mix thoroughly until mixture forms a soft paste. Add salt and pepper, mix again. Spread a generous amount of mixture on each steak (as though you were buttering a slice of bread).

Wrap each steak in tinfoil, leaving the closure on top. Bake in oven 25-30 minutes at 350 degrees. Remove from oven and open tinfoil carefully so that it does not tear.

Baste each steak with the juices and add three good teaspoonsful of fresh, squeezed lemon juice to each steak. A dash or sprinkle of paprika will enhance fish for better visual appeal. Rebaste so that the paprika sprinkled on fish is wet.

Bend tinfoil down so that each top of steak is fully exposed, yet molded around to form a basket, and place under a hot broiler for two minutes.

When serving do not remove the tinfoil; all the juices will collect in the containers. A good, crusty, French or Italian bread is good for sopping or scooping up the aromatic juices.

Tilefish can also be simply wrapped in tinfoil and baked in the oven for 25-30 minutes at 350 degrees. When cooked it is put aside until cold, then flaked with a fork and mixed together with mayonnaise, chopped onions or chives, salt and pepper, and made into a fish salad. It can also be used flaked on a lettuce bed and served with a hot, horse radish cocktail sauce.

CONTESTS & TOURNAMENTS
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DiFede; Deer Park, NY.
Flounder; 4 lb. 6 oz.; Oct. 28; Bill Breuer; Ridgewood, NY
Fluke; 14 lb. 14 oz.; Aug. 200 William Young; Franklin Square, NY
Kingfish; 3 lb. 10 oz.; July 29; Bill Breuer; Ridgewood, NY
Mackerel; 2 lb. 4 oz.; May 16; William Plum; Lindenhurst, NY
Porgy; 3 lb. 8 oz.; Oct. 14; Gary Ketcham; Lindenhurst, NY
Tuna; 25 lb. 2 oz.; Aug. 31; Hal Frank; Garden City, NY
Weakfish; 10 lb. 8 oz.; Oct. 3; John Gallis; Bellmore, NY.

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BY FRED GUARDINEER

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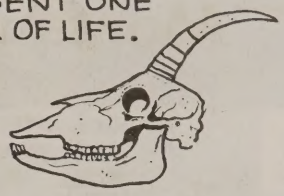

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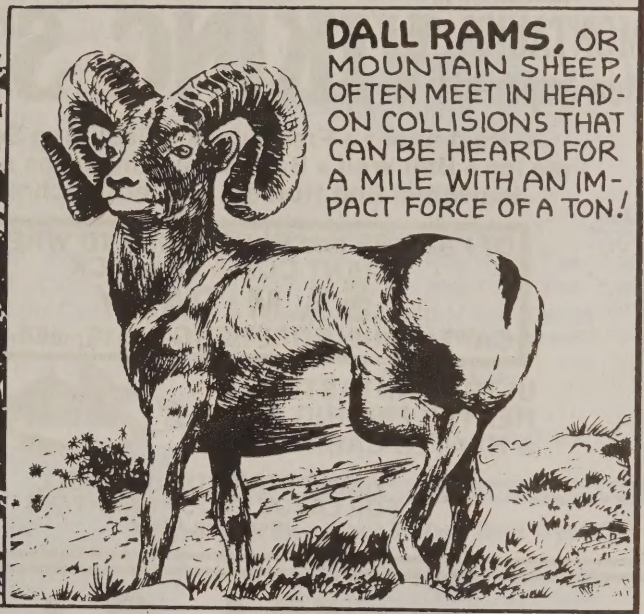

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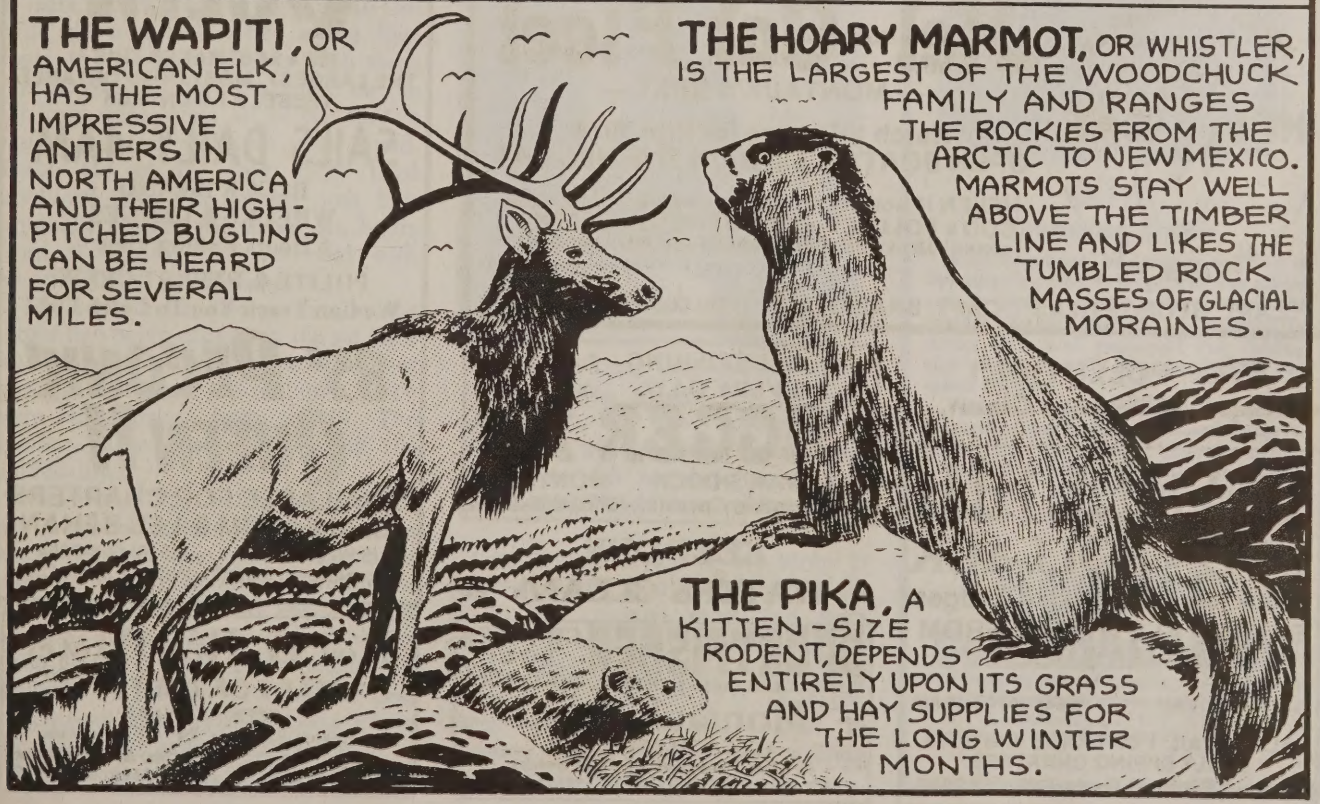

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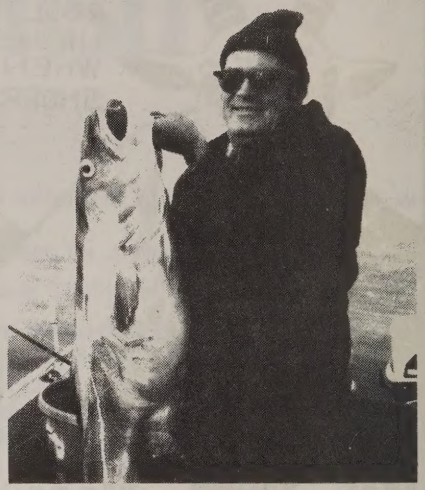

Jack Shercock of Commack, N.Y. holds the 45 lb. 10 oz. cod he caught on 11/23 aboard Capt. Dick Grell's Moby Dick.

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South Shore Report

The fleet is still fishing around Montauk Point and nearby Block Island. Most of the codfish that are caught are still in the 3 to 10 pound range, but that does not mean that there aren't any large fish, as most of the pool fish go to 30 or 40 pounds. Those of you who are concerned about transportation should try making up car pools, and then there is always the Long Island Railroad. I mention this because the fishing at Montauk seems to be climbing to a high point.

Capt. Richard Rade of the Marlin III reports catches of some big mackerel, as well as good catches of codfish. Rich and his mate went out on Sunday and caught some 300 pounds of mackerel. The fish are there, so come on out.

After completing his usual day of codfishing, Capt. Les Behan gassed up his Peconic Queen II for an experimental tilefishing trip. There were no passengers aboard, just the captain and a crew of four. They set out for the deep waters of Block Canyon to seek productive tilefishing waters. After a little over six hours of sailing, they reached the tilefishing grounds. The captain ordered several set lines out and at least two or three of the crew to fish with rod and reel. After trying four spots, the captain came up with these results: Most of the fish caught on the set lines were large; all of the tilefish caught on rod and reel were small. Three out of the four spots tried produced fish. The closest area that produced tilefish was about six hours from Montauk. They returned with about 500 lbs. of tilefish.

The captain felt the reason for the larger fish being caught on the set lines was because the set lines were not moving like the rod and reel lines which were being fished from a drift. The smaller, more aggressive fish hit the drifted lines.

Measuring the water temperature with a special underwater thermometer which locks in the temperature at a given depth, the captain found that the tilefish did not like water temperatures below 52 degrees. In an area where the water was 50 degrees on the bottom, no tilefish were caught, however, the best action took place at 68 fathoms where the water was exactly 52 degrees.

Next Sunday, Capt. Behan will make another experimental trip to a different area to see if he can locate more tilefishing grounds. Capt. Behan said that although he has no plans at present to make special tilefishing trips, he wants to prepare himself in advance just in case popular demand brings him to this fishing.

Once again it is either open bottom or wreck fishing that is producing codfish. Capt. Litwin has been sticking to wreck fishing and has had very good results. He had a big smile on his face as he came in on Saturday with over 90 codfish. The largest one went 38 pounds and it was caught by Mr. Fako of Farmingdale. The high hook on that particular trip was nine cod.

Capt. George Tweedy, skipper of the Capt. Scotty, fished the open bottom and averaged about five codfish per man. Most of the cod caught are under the ten pound mark, however, an occasional big one comes aboard.

The few boats that went flounder fishing did very well. Capt. Richard Westerlind, skipper of the Capt. Richie, said that the flounders came in good, but late. People think that the season is past and with that in mind, the captain is heading south with the birds.

Two of the many large tilefish up to 58 lbs. taken aboard the Peconic Queen II on the experimental tilefishing trip to Block Canyon on December 4th are held by Andy Smith and Howie Aromowitz.

Capt. Frank Bryant of the Moby D reported fair to good catches of cod up to 20 lbs., though most fish were smaller. A load of whiting was also taken. Most of the action took place south of the Light in 70 ft. of water. There are lots of big dogfish in evidence. Chowder clam and whiting bait strips were the baits.

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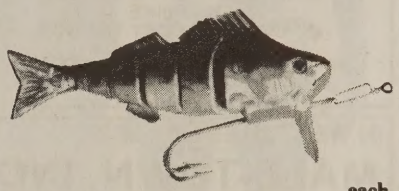

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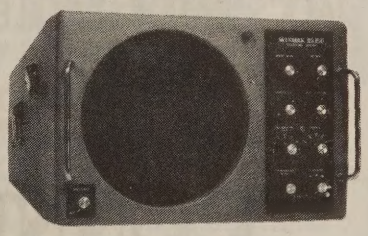

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N.Y. Bight Report

This has been both a good and a poor week for the codfishermen. Saturday proved to be one of the better days, said Capt. Al Lindroth of the Capt. Al. His fares took up to a dozen fish, with the pool fish scaling 48 pounds. They drifted off a wreck where there were small fish and the larger fish were found over the mussel beds. Earlier in the week, eleven fares had over 133 fish while fishing the rocks at the Cholera Banks.

The Star Stream ran into a new run of codfish on the mussel beds and gravel bottom. Three to five pounds are what these fish are running, with some 20 and 30 pounders mixed in. On Saturday, Frank Marlo and Gene Whitman had 36 fish between them. Frank's 28 pounder just missed winning the pool by a half pound. Better luck next time, Frank!

There are plenty of flounders in the channels, according to Capt. Clem Esposito of the Commodore. Clem sailed only on the weekend and had some fares catch as many as 25 or 30 good sized flounders.

While on the outside, the Ginnie Mae had a fair showing of small codfish at the Glory Grounds. They also encountered some nice big mackerel and whiting. The mackerel were just picked at by the fares aboard the Ginnie Mae while a private boat that went well offshore did great on them. The whiting were rather plentiful with some going up to 3 lbs.

Capt. Fred Ardolino of the Amberjack IV says he had one of the best weekends so far this season. They fished both wrecks and some hard bottom and had fish on for everybody. Some big fish were caught at the wrecks, however, the open bottom produced the quantity. Loads of cod in the 3 to 5 lb. range were taken and the pool fish weighed just over 30 lbs. Codfish are being caught anywhere from Fire Island to the Mud Hole. Along with the codfish, an occasional mackerel or whiting shows up.

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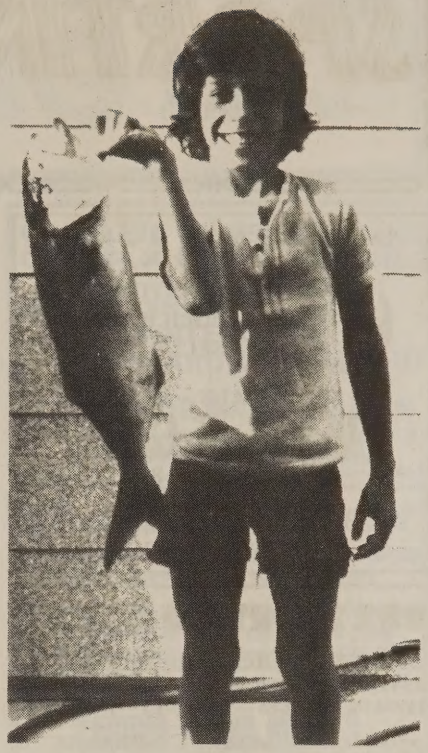

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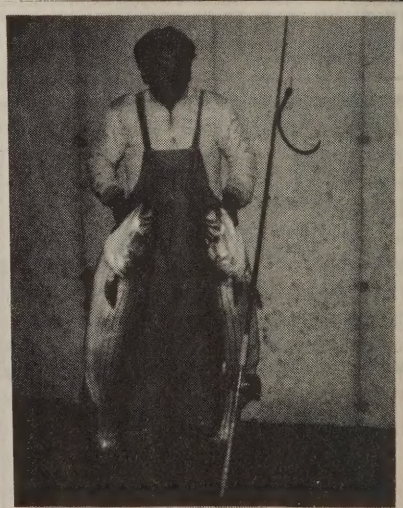

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	A.M		P.M.	
	Minor	Major	Minor	Major
Thurs	7:20	**1:40**	7:50	**2:05**
Fri	8:20	**2:40**	8:50	**3:15**
Sat	9:30	**3:35**	9:45	**4:00**
Sun	10:15	**4:30**	10:40	**4:50**
Mon	11:05	**5:10**	11:20	**5:35**
Tues	11:50	**5:50**	11:55	**6:15**
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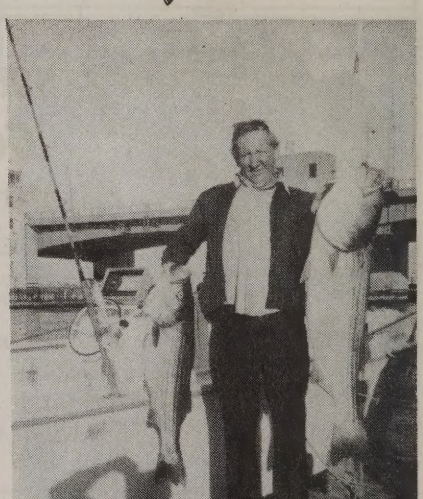

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TIDE TABLES

	SANDY HOOK		NEW LONDON		WILLETS POINT		BRIDGE-PORT	
	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM
THURSDAY	10:03	10:44	11:31		1:15	1:31	1:12	1:31
FRIDAY	11:01	11:42	12:12	12:29	2:16	2:36	2:06	2:26
SATURDAY	11:58		1:12	1:32	3:24	3:46	3:03	3:25
SUNDAY	12:38	12:54	2:17	2:41	4:33	5:03	4:00	4:26
MONDAY	1:36	1:50	3:20	3:48	5:41	6:15	4:59	5:27
TUESDAY	2:33	2:51	4:22	4:53	6:42	7:20	5:59	6:28
WEDNESDAY	3:32	3:50	5:19	5:52	7:42	8:15	6:56	7:28
THURSDAY	4:27	4:47	6:10	6:46	8:33	9:06	7:51	8:23

on SANDY HOOK

SHINNECOCK INLET	−0	50
Shinnecock Bay	+1	25
East Quogue	+2	45
Shinnecock Canal	+1	18
Indian Reservation	+3	05
MORICHES INLET	−0	56
Smith's Point	+3	28
Harts Cove	+1	30
Potunck Point	+3	35
Mastic Beach	+3	28
FIRE ISLAND INLET	−0	38
(Inlet,Breakwater & Dem. Pt.)	−0	38
Coast Guard Station	−0	19
Fire Island Light	+0	47
GREAT SOUTH BAY		
Sayville (Brown Creek)	+3	39
Heckscher State Park	+3	20
Bay Shore	+2	23
Babylon	+2	12
Amityville	+2	21
JONES INLET	−0	19
Loop Parkway Bridge	+0	25
Zachs Bay	+1	25
Seaford Harbor	+2	05
Freeport Creek	+0	34
EAST ROCKAWAY INLET	−0	06
Long Beach Bridge	+0	19
ROCKAWAY INLET	+0	00
Beach Channel (Bridge)	+0	38
JFK Airport	+0	26
STATEN ISLAND	+0	27
MANASQUAN	−0	12

on NEW LONDON

Orient Point	+0	27
Connecticut River	+1	10
Little Gull Island (Race)	+0	12
Greenport	+1	04
Southold	+1	43
New Suffolk	+2	26
South Jamesport	+2	32
Shinnecock Canal	+2	33
Noyack Bay	+2	05
Sag Harbor	+0	59
Gardiners Bay	+0	21
Promised Land (Napeague)	−0	14
Fort Pond Bay	−0	29
Montauk Inlet	−0	25
Montauk Point	−1	13

on WILLETS POINT

Little Neck Bay	−0	10
Execution Light	−0	06
Manhasset Bay	−0	01
Hempstead Harbor	−0	11
City Island	−0	03
Rye Beach	−0	28

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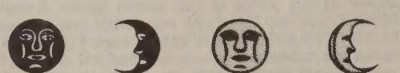

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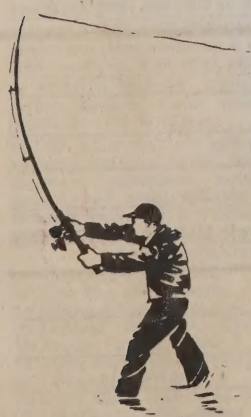
Norwalk Islands	+0	10
Smithtown Bay	−0	03
Cranes Neck Point	+0	05
Port Jefferson Harbor	+0	03
New Haven Harbor	+0	08
Mount Sinai Harbor	−0	08
Herod Point	−0	07
Mattituck Inlet	+0	19
Horton Point	−0	20
Truman Beach	−0	42

HOW TO USE TIDE TABLES

To compute the high tide for the area you wish to fish, simply find the closest area on the conversion tables. Add or subtract the hours and/or minutes as indicated from that areas station above. Example: "Shinnecock Inlet —0 50" is listed under "on Sandy Hook". — 0 50 means you subtract 50 minutes from the times given for the SANDY HOOK STATION for the day you are going fishing. For low tide, add 6½ hours to this figure.



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